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1. A\penem derivative represented by the following formula (I):

$$S$$
 R_1 CO_2R_2 (1)

wherein R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group, a substituted or unsubstituted acylthio group, a mercapto group or a hydrogen atom, and R₂ represents a hydrogen atom or a carboxyl-protecting group; or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof.

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2. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R_1 represents a substituted or un-

4	substituted heterocyclic thio group.
1	3. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-
2	ceptable salt thereof according to claim 2, wherein the
3	heterocyclic group of said substituted or unsubstituted
4	heterocyclic thio group is any one of the following
5	substituted or unsubstituted groups (a) to (h):
6	(a) a 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
7	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4
8	nitrogen atoms;
9	(b) a 7-12 membered, unsaturated,
10	heteropolycyclic group containing 1 to 5
11	nitrogen atoms;
12	(c) a 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
13	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2
14	oxygen atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms;
15	(d) a 7-12 membered, unsaturated,
16	heteropolycyclic group containing 1 to 2
17	oxygen atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms;
18	(e) a 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
19	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 sul-
20	fur atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms;
21	(f) a 7-12 membered, unsaturated,
22	heteropolycyclic group containing 1 to 2 sul-
23	fur atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms;
21	(q) a 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,

25	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2
26	oxygen atoms; and
27	(h) a 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
28	heteromonocyclic group containing one sulfur
29	atom.
1	4. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-
2	ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
3	said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
4	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
5	and represented by (a) is a pyrrolyl, pyrrolidinyl, im-
6	idazolyl, pyrazolyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, pyrazinyl,
7	pyridazinyl, triazolyl, tetrazolyl, dihydrotriazinyl,
8	azetidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, imidazolidinyl, piperidinyl,
9	pyrazolidinyl or piperazinyl group.
1	5. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-
2	ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
3	said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
4	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
5	and represented by (a) is a pyrrolidinyl group.
1	6. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-
2	ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
3	said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
4	heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
5	and represented by (a) is an (S)-pyrrolidin-3-yl group.
1	7. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-

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ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
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     said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
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     heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
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     and represented by (a) is a piperidinyl group.
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               A penem derivative or a pharmacologically ac-
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     ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
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     said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
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     heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
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     and represented by (a) is a piperidin-4-yl group.
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     ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
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     said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
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     heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 4 nitrogen atoms
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     and represented by (a) is a piperidin-3-yl group.
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     ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
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     said 7-12 membered, unsaturated, heteropolycyclic group
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     containing 1 to 5 nitrogen atoms and represented by (b)
     is an indolyl, isoindolyl, indolizinyl, benzimidazolyl,
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     quinolyl, isoquinolyl, indazolyl, benzotriazolyl,
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     tetrazolopyridyl, tetrazolopiridazinyl or
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11. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,

dihydrotriazolopyridazinyl group.

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heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 oxygen atoms
and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms and represented by (c) is an
oxazolyl, isooxazolyl, oxadiazolyl or morpholinyl
group.

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12. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein said 7-12 membered, unsaturated, heteropolycyclic group containing 1 to 2 oxygen atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms and represented by (d) is a benzoxazolyl or benzoxadiazolyl group.

ceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated, heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 sulfur atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms and represented by (e) is a 1,3-thiazolyl, 1,2-thiazolyl, tiazolinyl, thiadiazolyl or thiazolidinyl group.

14. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein said 7-12 membered, unsaturated, heteropolycyclic group containing 1 to 2 sulfur atoms and 1 to 3 nitrogen atoms and represented by (f) is a benzothiazolyl or benzothiadiazolyl group.

15. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein

3 said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,

4 heteromonocyclic group containing 1 to 2 oxygen atoms

and represented by (g) is a furanyl, pyranyl,

6 tetrahydrofuranyl or tetrahydropyranyl group.

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- 1 16. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 3, wherein
 3 said 3-8 membered, unsaturated or saturated,
 4 heteromonocyclic group containing one sulfur atom and
 5 represented by (h) is a thienyl or tetrahydrothienyl
- 1 17. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group.
 - 18. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 17, wherein the alkyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group is a linear or branched lower alkyl group, or a monocyclic or polycyclic alkyl group which may be in the form of a fused ring with an aromatic hydrocarbon.
 - 19. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 17, wherein the alkyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group is a methyl, ethyl, n-propyl,

isopropyl, n-butyl, tert-butyl or hexyl group.

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- ceptable salt thereof according to claim 17, wherein the alkyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group is a monocyclic or polycyclic alkyl group selected from a cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl, menthyl, fenchyl, bornyl or indanyl group.
- 21. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group.
- 22. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 21, wherein the alkenyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group is a linear or branched, lower alkenyl group.
 - 23. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 21, wherein the alkenyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group is a vinyl, allyl, 2-chloroallyl, 1-propenyl, 2-butenyl or 2-methyl-2-propenyl group.

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24. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R_1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group.

25. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 24, wherein the aralkyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group is an aralkyl group containing 7 to 24 carbon atoms.

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26. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 24, wherein the aralkyl group of said substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group is a benzyl, phenethyl, 3-phenyl-propyl, 2-naphthylmethyl, 2-(1-naphthyl)ethyl, trityl or benzhydryl group.

- 27. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R_1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group.
- 28. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 27, wherein the aryl group of said substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group is an aryl group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms.
- 29. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 27, wherein the aryl group of said substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group is a phenyl, tolyl, xylyl, mesityl, cumenyl or naphthyl group.

30. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I) R_1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group.

- 31. A penew derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein in the formula (I), R_1 represents a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group.
- 32. A penem derivative or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein R_1 represents the following group (i) or (ii):
 - (i) a group represented by the following formula:

wherein R_{la} and R_{lb} may be the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 24 carbon atoms, an aryl group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, an imino lower alkyl group, an imino lower alkyl amino group, an imino(amino) lower alkyl group, a carbamomyl group, a carbamomyl group, a carbamomyl lower alkyl group, an acyl group, an acyl group, an acyl group, an acyl group, a heterocyclic group or a heterocyclic lower alkyl group; one or more hydrogen atoms of said alkyl, alkenyl, aralkyl,

16 arvl, imino lower alkyl, imino lower alkyl amino, 17 imino(amino) lower alkyl , carbamoyl, carbamoyl lower alkyl, heterocyclic or heterocyclic lower alkyl group 18 may each be substituted by a halogen atom, a carboxyl 19 20 group, a thiocarboxyl group, a formyl group, a nitro group, a cyano group, a hydroxyl group, an amino group, 21 an imino group, a lower alkylene acetal group, an 22 23 alkyl group, an alkoxyl group, an alkenyl group, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 24 carbon atoms, an aryl 24 group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, an aryloxy group 25 containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, an imino lower alkyl 26 group, an imino lower alkyl amino group, an imino-27 (amino) lower alkyl group, a carbamoyl group, a car-28 bamoyloxy group, a carbamoyl lower alkyl group, a 29 heterocyclic group, a heterocyclic lower alkyl group, 30 an acyl group or an acylalkyl group; said acyl groups 31 and the acyl group of said acyl lower alkyl group 32 represent an alkyl carbonyl, alkenylcarbonyl, aralkyl-33 carbonyl, arylcarbonyl, heterocyclic carbonyl or 34 heterocyclic lower alkyl carbonyl group containing 35 said substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl, 36 aralkyl, aryl, heterocyclic or heterocyclic lower alkyl 37 group; said carboxyl group may be esterified by said 38 substituted or unsubstituted alkyl, alkenyl, aralkyl, 39 aryl, heterocyclic or heterocyclic lower alkyl group; 40

41 said heterocyclic groups and the heterocyclic group of 42 said heterocyclic lower alkyl group may each contain one or more carbonyl group in the rings thereof and the 43 tertiary nitrogen atom thereof may form an in-44 tramolecular quaternary salt by the introduction of 45 said substituent; and 46 (ii) a group represented by the following formula: 47 -s-(CH₂)_n-R_{1C}48 wherein n stands for 1 to 3; R_{1C} represents a hydrogen 49 atom, an aryl group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, an 50 amino group, an imino lower alkyl amino group, an 51 aminosulfonyl group, carbamoyl group, acyl group, a 52 carboxyl group or a heterocyclic group; one or more 53 hydrogen atoms of said aryl, amino, imino lower alkyl -54 amino, aminosulfonyl, carbamoyl or heterocyclic group 55 may each be substituted by a halogen atom, a carboxyl 56 group, a thiocarboxyl group, a formyl group, a nitro 57 group, a cyano group, a hydroxyl group, an amino group, 58 an imino group, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, an 59 alkenyl group, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 24 car-60 bon atoms, an aryl group containing 6 to 10 carbon 61 atoms, an aryloxy group containing 6 to 10 carbon 62 atoms, an imino lower alkyl' group, an imino lower 63 alkylamino group, an imino(amino) lower alkyl group, 64

a carbamoyl group, a carbamoyloxy group, a carbamoyl-

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66 lower alkyl group, a heterocyclic group, a hetero-67 cyclic lower alkyl group, an acyl group or a acylalkyl group; said acyl groups and the acyl group of said 68 acylalkyl groups recited as a substituent represent an 69 alkylcarbonyl, alkenylcarbonyl, aralkylcarbonyl, aryl-70 71 carbonyl, heterocyclic carbonyl or heterocyclic lower 72 alkyl carbonyl group containing one or more alkyl, 73 alkenyl, aralkyl, aryl, heterocyclic or heterocyclic 74 lower alkyl groups; one or more hydrogen atoms of these 75 · acyl groups may each be substituted by a halogen atom, a carboxyl group, a thiocarboxyl group, a formyl group, 76 a nitro group, a cyano group, a hydroxyl group, an 77 amino group, an imino group, a lower alkylene acetal 78 79 group, an alkyl group, an alkoxy group, an alkenyl group, an aralkyl group containing 7 to 24 carbon 80 atoms, an aryl group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, 81 an aryloxy group containing 6 to 10 carbon atoms, an 82 imino lower alkyl group, an imino lower alkyl amino 83 group, an imino(amino) lower alkyl group, carbamoyl 84 group, a carbamoyloxy group, a carbamoyl lower alkyl 85 group, a heterocyclic group, a heterocyclic lower alkyl 86 group, an acyl group or an acylalkyl group; said car-87 boxyl group may be esterified by a substituted or un-88 substituted alkyl, alkenyl, aralkyl, aryl, heterocyclic 89 or heterocyclic lower alkyl group; said heterocyclic 90

group and the heterocyclic group of said heterocyclic lower alkyl groups, the latter heterocyclic group being recited as a substituent, may each contain one or more carbonyl groups in the ring thereof and the tertiary nitrogen atom thereof may form an intramolecular quaternary salt by the introduction of said substituent.

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33. A compound represented by the following formula (II):

$$OR_3$$
 S
 R_1
 CO_2R_4
 (11)

wherein R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic thio group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic thio group, a substituted or unsubstituted acylthio group, a mercapto group or a

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hydrogen atom, OR_3 represents a protected hydroxyl group, and R_4 represents a carboxyl-protecting group.

1 34. A compound represented by the following for-2 mula (III):

$$OR_3$$
 S
 SR_5
 CO_2R_4
 OR_3

wherein R₅ represents a substituted or unsubstituted 4 alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl 5 group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a 6 substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a substituted 7 or unsubstituted heterocyclic group or a substituted or 8 unsubstituted acyl group, OR3 represents a protected 9 hydroxyl group, and R4 represents a carboxyl-protecting 10 11 group.

1 35. A compound represented by the following for-2 mula (IV):

$$OR_3$$
 S
 OR_3
 OR_3
 OR_3
 OR_4
 OR_4
 OR_4

wherein OR3 represents a protected hydroxyl group and

5 R₄ represents a carboxyl-protecting group.

36. A medicament comprising, as an active ingredient, a penem derivative represented by the following formula (I):

$$OH$$

$$S R_1$$

$$CO_2R_2$$
(1)

wherein R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic thio group, a substituted or unsubstituted acylthio group, a mercapto group or a hydrogen atom, and R₂ represents a hydrogen atom or a carboxyl-protecting group, or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof.

37. An antibacterial agent comprising, as an active ingredient, a penem derivative represented by the

following formula (I):

$$OH \longrightarrow S \longrightarrow R_1$$

$$CO_2R_2$$
(1)

wherein R₁ represents a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted aryl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkenylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted aralkylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted arylthio group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic group, a substituted or unsubstituted heterocyclic thio group, a substituted or unsubstituted acylthio group, a mercapto group or a hydrogen atom, and R₂ represents a hydrogen atom or a carboxyl-protecting group; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. And a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof. And a pharmaceutically

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